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DEATHS.

On the 26th March, at Washington, D. C., U.S.A., ALBERT FALSTY HEARD, late of China, aged 52.

On the 31st March, at St. Ann's Hill, Battersea, Co. SURREY, MARY ELIZABETH, only daughter of Mr. THOMAS S. O'NEIL of Kinsale Park, Cork, Westmeath, and formerly of China, aged 21 years.

ADMIRAL BERNARD, the new Commander-in-Chief of the French squadron on this station, arrived here on Saturday morning in the ironclad "Triomphant." This vessel was out here at the time of the Franco-Chinese hostilities and got a shell in her side at Foochow.

The following items are from the London and China Express of the 11th April:-

The Merle, gunboat, Lieutenant Commander Yonge, has arrived in Plymouth Sound from the China Station, and will be immediately prepared for paying off after inspection.

The steamer "Cassandra," formerly one of the steamers of the King's Line, and well known in the Far East, has been sold, and left Hamburg on the 7th inst. for Lagos, West Africa, in which trade she will henceforth be employed.

Her Majesty's ship "Esopus," gunboat, Commander R. T. Smith, has arrived at Plymouth after eight years' absence in China. Her crew, however, have served somewhat less than four years. She is to be inspected and afterwards paid off.

The Cockatoo, gunboat, Commander Edward Aspinwall, has arrived from the China Station. She has been away from England nearly eight years, and was recommissioned at Hongkong in July, 1886; her new crew being taken out of the tropic ship "Tunca." She has been paid off.

The Admiralty have decided to recommission the composite gun-vessel "Rattler" for another term of service on the China Station. The "Rattler" was commissioned at Sheerness in May, 1887, and left for Hongkong about the same time as the "Tunca," which founded a short time ago in Singapore.

The prosperity of the Japanese who have migrated to Hongkong seems to have improved considerably since the last report. The Japanese press states that the leading Japanese residents have written to their Consul requesting that steps be taken to expel those individuals who are scarcely maintaining the dignity of their race.—*Japan Gazette*.

The Charles S. Whiting was towed up to the Old Dock at Shanghai on the 5th instant, and as her cargo has been discharged, the damage done to her side by scraping the limestone rocks can be seen. Her starboard side, the "Daily News" says, is scored for twelve feet between the main and mizzen masts, about in a line with the twelve and thirteen foot marks.

The Deli Company of the 23rd April calls attention to the fact that for the first time since that settlement came into being, dollars have become an export article from there to the Straits. In one week the two British banks have remitted thousand dollars to Penang, with every prospect of more following.

A notification appears in the Government Gazette of Saturday to the effect that H. E. the Acting Governor, acting under instructions from the Secretary of State for the Colonies, has appointed Retired Commander William Charles Holland Hastings, R.N., to be Assistant Harbour Master and Collector of Lighterage with effect from 15th March, the date of that officer's arrival in the Colony.

The Penang Gazette says—Manur has it that the Netherlands Indian Government intends to extend the blockade in Achmen all over the East Coast, and to that end, the squadron there will be heavily reinforced so as to cut off supplies from the war party. In Achmen, disease continues to thin the ranks of the army of occupation, while the Achmen go on keeping a sharp watch by hand tactics. The Sonoraya Gwai, however, do not seem to be anxious for a general engagement, as they have plenty of time allowed him to get away. We hear he is in Manila. It is said that the Amis Office is to be held responsible for not having discovered that the Achmen were going to make their move.

Some weeks ago it was reported that heavy calculations had been discovered in the Money Order Department of the Post Office, following on the disclosure of the secret of the Achmen. It was afterwards reported that the disappearance of Baradas was in connection with some speculation or gambling and that the original reason assigned was a mistake. An examination of the accounts has now shown that there was a deduction, amounting to over \$400,000. It is not a few days ago that a warrant was taken out for the Achmen, who had plenty of time allowed him to get away.

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The German Parliament has been opened by the Emperor, who in his speech said any discrediting of the balance of power would endanger the equilibrium and the forming of a basis of a peace policy. His Majesty announced the introduction of the Military Bill and measures for the protection of workmen.

FRANCE AND THE EGYPTIAN DEBT. Egypt has accepted the French conditions for the conversion of the debt.

PROGRESS OF CAPTAIN WISSMANN IN AFRICA.

Captain Wissmann has completed his tour.

seems to think investigations of this kind ought to follow as a consequence of reports received, but in a case like this such reports cannot possibly be looked for. The Commission providing for the inquiry, however, need not necessarily suggest anything in the nature of corruption, but simply direct the Commissioners to inquire generally into the accounts, tracing each payment, and comparing it with the value of the labour or material on account of which it was made. If there has been corruption such an inquiry would bring it to light, if not, the Department responsible will be cleared from imputations which are frequently made in private conversation, and in any case it could not be conducive to the public interest to ascertain the real cause of the excessive cost of the building. Some years ago there was a Commission to inquire into certain charges made against the Public Works Department, but the charges were general in their nature, the party by whom they were made declined to assist in the investigation, and the Commissioners had nothing before them of a definite or specific nature which they could thoroughly investigate by opening up the whole of the circumstances from beginning to end. They did their best under the conditions and, after seeking information from every source that suggested itself as available, found the charges unfounded. The inquiry was, however, little more than a beating of the air; if there was any corruption it did not suit the parties who could have proved it to come forward and do so, and the evidence was consequently almost entirely of a negative nature.

In the inquiry into the cost of the building, the Magistrate on Saturday morning, before Mr. Wedderburn, an inquiry was held into the circumstances of the death of Choy Ying, a man aged 10 years, who died from a fall on the 13th April last. The evidence of the mistress of the house and an Indian constable, who was passing at the time, showed that the deceased had accidentally fallen a distance of 40 feet into the back yard and on removal to hospital died about an hour after his admission. There being no suspicious circumstance, his Worship returned a verdict of "Accidental death."

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At the end of last year a large number of visitors went from Hongkong to the village of Chek Wan, near the Begna, where it was expected an execution would take place on Saturday morning.

The village is every year visited at this season by a large number of pilgrims to celebrate the festival of the Queen of Heaven, and the opportunity of plying their avocation under favourable circumstances is "allowed" to slip away.

The acre at which this takes place is far from being a fixed one, but is often in the vicinity of sixteen. The owners observed doubtless vary, but in rural districts they frequently consist of a single plot of land, and the owner is liable to be compelled to sell his land to his neighbour.

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Mr. T. Jackson, Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, arrived by the P. & O. steamer "Bositz" yesterday.

The return of the Collector of Stamp Revenue, published in Saturday's "Gazette," shows that \$17,561,297.34 was collected in April, 1890, in the sum of \$6,219.94. This is mostly accounted for by a decrease in the heading of "transfer of shares" \$3,904,40, and "conveyance or assignment" \$3,061.00. There is also a decline in the revenue from prebate of \$1,120.10, and from mortgage of \$3,621.10, which is not made up by an increase in duty bills of exchange and promissory notes of \$1,471.59.

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An extremely interesting example of the serious importance of sanitation is found in the history of the town of Manila, established there in 1881, and according to the *Satellite News*, the annual deaths from typhoid fever, which had numbered 2,515 up to 1880, were reduced in 1881 to 40, the yearly average since that time.

Philistines may like to note the issue of a new set of United States postage stamps. The portraits and colors of the new issue are as follows:—One-cent—Franklin; ultramarine blue—two-cent—Washington, orange; three-cent—Jackson; purple—four-cent—Lincoln, chocolate; five-cent—Grant, light brown; six-cent—Garrison, red; seven-cent—Webster, yellow; nine-cent—Jefferson, deep blue; thirty-cent—Jefferson, black; ninety-cent—Commodore Perry, orange.

Republican institutions have not always been successful in securing simplicity of manners and thoroughness of government in their grip of life. Society in Athens and in Rome was not always fit for its severity in this respect in days when kings and emperors were unknown, and there are probably not two cities in the world where in proportion to the population so much money is spent on dress as Paris and New York. In Paris, in fact, whatever form of government is a problem, the people have it solved. It is a pity to notice that in the case of the Colonies, there would have been no more slight difference to them. The Times, however, has just published some statistics with regard to expenditure in dress which are rather startling. It seems that no less than a million sterling in the annual turnover of the nine fashionable "artists" of the French capital. Worth's bill amounts to nearly £1,000,000 a year; this is the sum paid by customers who derive a certain sort of solace to outdoor toilettes; and £50,000 is the yearly gross revenue of a ladies' tailor whose specialty is in the cut of his travailing, sporting, and riding costumes. The clothes philosophy has evidently a multitude of devotees in Paris.

Examination of the cranial capacity, from which a fairly accurate approximation of the size of the brain may be drawn, has shown that in the civilized European the size of brains is considerably higher than in savage races, not only as an average but in individual cases, and that the variations in the former races are much greater than in the latter. A series of observations on the size of heads of students at Cambridge University recently published are of great interest, and show that the size of head of those who obtain high honors is considerably larger than that of the ordinary students at the same age, while the remainder of the honor students are intermediate in position as regards size of head. M. Le Bon, in a very valuable paper, has also been by means of examination of the remains of both living and dead persons in various social positions in France. These he divided into five classes, and found that the relative position occupied by each class with respect to size of head was as follows, beginning with the largest:—1, men of science and letters; 2, merchants; 3, nobles of ancient families; 4, nobles of new families; 5, nobles of ancient families. The author also gives some various and independent observations showing that there is a direct relation between the size of head and brain on the one hand and intellectual ability on the other, when applied to a number of persons collectively, but in the present state of our knowledge trustworthy deductions cannot be arrived at with respect to individuals.

Attending service, not very long ago, in an elegant church edifice, where they worship God in a highly aesthetic manner, the choir began that scriptural poem that compares Solomon with the lion of the field, somewhat to the former's disadvantage. Although never possessed of a lion's heart for Solomon, still a pang of pity was felt for him, who, in expressing unbound admiration for the gifts of the field, which it is doubtful if they ever observed very closely, began to tell the congregation through the mouth of the soprano, "that Solomon, in all his glory was not arrayed." Straightway the soprano was reinforced by the bass, who declared most solemnly and most emphatically that Solomon, in all his glory, was not arrayed, was not arrayed. Then, when the feelings of the congregation had been harrowed up sufficiently, and all our sympathies aroused for poor Solomon, whose numerous wives allowed him to be a lion in a fawn's skin, in that climate, the choir, after a pause, informed us that the idea they intended to convey was that Solomon, in all his glory, was not arrayed "like one of these."—These what? so long a time had elapsed since they sang of the lions that the thread was entirely lost, and by "these" one naturally concluded that the choir was designating the lions themselves! We should think not, indeed, with a clavichord or cello, and a tabor pipe, and a tambourine, and a tam-tacca, and his hair ent pompadour! No, indeed. Solomon in the very zenith of his glory, was not arrayed like one of these. Despite the experience of the morning, the hope still remained that, in the evening, a sacred song might be sung without exciting our risibilities, and leave the impression that we had been listening to a choir of lions. But again started the trouble, when, with a very laudable, but rather startling announcement, the idea they intended to convey was that Solomon, in all his glory, was not arrayed "like one of these."—These what? so long a time had elapsed since they sang of the lions that the thread was entirely lost, and by "these" one naturally concluded that the choir was designating the lions themselves!

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

The British steamer *Nursing*, from Manila, 30th May, reports had fine, light S.W. and W. winds to port.

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2. Chinking, British str., from Foochow.

3. Chin-tung, Chinese str., from Chefoo.

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7. Parthia, British str., from Vancouver.

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9. Toon, Chinese str., from Swatow.

10. Foching, British str., from Nanchang.

11. Taku, British str., from Nagasaki.

12. Yenan, Chinese str., from Hongkong.

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Hongkong, 5th October, 1890. [46]

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N. O. 3. MORRISON HILL Entry, 1st
June. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON
13, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 23rd April, 1890. [197]

TO LET AT THE PEAK,

for Two Years.

N. O. 1. HILLSIDE, Possession from 1st
June next. For Particulars, apply to
BIRD & PALMER.
Hongkong, 24th March, 1890. [170]

TO LET.

**ROOMS IN "COLLEGE CHAMBERS,"
9 SEYMOUR TERRACE,
STONEHEDGE** BONDSTON ROAD, from
1st May. Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & CO.,
Hongkong, 25th November, 1890. [40]

TO LET.

O NE LARGE ROOM on the GROUND
Floor of No. 13, Praya Central, Suit-
able for an Office. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 23rd March, 1890. [174]

FOR SALE AT THE PEAK.

THE FALLS of R. B. L. No. 28, a
well built SIX-ROOMED HOUSE,
Let on Lease for one year.
For Particulars, apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.**
Hongkong, 18th November, 1890. [149]

TO BE LET.

**FIRST FLOOR of No. 3, BLUE BUILD-
INGS.** From 1st June. Apply to
**THE HONGKONG LAND INVEST-
MENT & AGENCY CO., LTD.**
Victoria Buildings, Hongkong, 30th April, 1890. [1043]

TO LET.

H O U S E No. 3, CASTLE ROAD.
Apply to SPANISH PROCURATION
Hongkong, 17th December, 1890. [183]

TO BE LET.

Just below Peak Flagstaff.
BAHAR LODGE—FURNISHED.
Apply to HUGHES & EZRA,
Hongkong, 18th April, 1890. [183]

TO LET.

H O U S E No. 1, "KIMBERLEY VIL-
LAS" at Kowloon, from 1st February,
1890. Apply to A. F. ALVES,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1890. [237]

TO LET.

Possession 1st April, 1890.
WESTBOURNE VILLAS, NORTH.
Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Hongkong, 11th February, 1890. [193]

TO LET FURNISHED.

A SIX-ROOMED HOUSE on ROBINSON
Road. Apply to J. Y. V. VERNON,
Hongkong, 17th March, 1890. [163]

TO LET.

From 1st MARCH NEXT.
N. O. 33, 35, & 37, PEEL-STREET.
Apply to EDWARD GEORGE,
Hongkong, 10th January, 1890. [160]

TO LET AT KOWLOON.

GLENTHORPE, Six Rooms, on Eastern
Slope of Observatory Hill. Bath and
Dressing Room to each Bedroom, with all the
appointments of a First-class Dwelling. Great
Tennis Court and 1/4 Acre of Ground.
Apply to MR. ST. JOHN HANCOCK,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1890. [230]

TO BE LET.

A GODOWN at West Point.
Rooms of SECOND FLOOR (of Marine
Telegraph House). The HOMESTEAD, Mr. Kellett.
BISBEE VILLA, POKWOK. BEEZY POINT, BONHAM ROAD, with
Tennis Lawns. A WELL FURNISHED HOUSE from
1st of May. Apply to SHARP & CO.,
Hongkong, 9th April, 1890. [141]

TO LET.

No. 25, 27, 31, & 35, ELGIN ROAD,
behind the Old Union Church.
Apply to ACE & CO.,
Hongkong, 7th April, 1890. [123]

TO LET.

Queen's Road Central No. 10.
THREE ROOMS, SECOND FLOOR,
Bath Room attached. Immediate Possession.
One GODOWN from 1st June.
Apply to SANDER & CO.,
Hongkong, 6th May, 1890. [107]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE. Im-
mediate Entry. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 31st March, 1890. [174]

TO LET.

THE COUPON-SHEETS for Shar-
ing Water-Rates now obtainable through
the Nanyang Oriental Bank Corporation,
Limited, Hongkong. Apply to HUTTENBACH BROTHERS & CO.,
General Agents. Singapore, 16th April, 1890. [1027]

TO LET.

N. O. 1. AUBANY. Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Hongkong, 23rd January, 1890. [183]

TO LET.

Three of the Newly constructed HOUSES
WOODLANDS TERRACE. Moderate Rentals.
Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS,
Hongkong, 6th May, 1890. [1088]

TO LET.

A HOUSE in WEST TERRACE. Im-
mediate Entry. Apply to G. C. ANDERSON,
13, Praya Central. Hongkong, 8th October, 1890. [147]

TO LET.

D ENIRABLE OFFICES & GODOWNS,
No. 13, Praya Central. Apply to STOLTERFORT & HIRST,
Hongkong, 8th October, 1890. [147]

TO LET.

T H E P. O. S. N. CO. Steamship
PHOTOGRAPHER, General Agents.
Having regard to his PHOTOGRAPHIC Books
for the promotion of ALL STYLES of Pos-
SESSIONS, with the Patronage of Residents
and Visitors. Apply to E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent. Hongkong, 16th April, 1890. [1028]

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N. O. 4. LOWER MOSQUE TERRACE.
Apply to CHAN YAU, No. 1, Mosque Ter-
race. New Views of HONGKONG and the Coast.
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [1075]

TO BE LET.

C H A I G E L L A C H I E S, BONHAM
Road. Apply to LINSTEAD & DAVIS
Hongkong, 5th October, 1890. [46]

TO LET.

C H A I G E L L A C H I E HOUSE No. 2
in CAINE ROAD. Apply to THE PREMISES
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1890. [118]

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